

Please amend the claims as follows:

50. (Four Times Amended) Orthopaedic footgear with resilient support for the foot, comprising:
an outer sole;
an inner sole mounted in said footgear above said outer sole, said inner sole having a plurality of compressible resilient sections arranged in a grid pattern, said sections having upper surfaces which are independently vertically movable and which together form a substantially smooth and continuous upper surface for engagement by the foot; said inner sole extending for substantially the entire area underlying the foot of the user;
said resilient sections being directly adjacent one another to form said grid;
said grid of resilient sections extending over substantially all of said inner sole;
said upper surface of said sections being of soft resilient material and being directly exposed for direct engagement with the foot of the user or a sock or stocking on the foot of the user; and
said grid pattern of resilient sections constituting means for providing a multiplicity of sections that sway laterally independently of one another to a substantial extent in response to forces applied by the foot, thereby reducing shear stresses on the bottom of a foot as the user walks along.

Please cancel claim 58.